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SUBJECT: POSSIBLE BOYCOTT CLAUSES IN ALGERIAN TENDER DOCUMENT

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1. EMBASSY HAS CONTACTED CADAT (STATE IMPROVEMENT BANK) CONCERNING MINISTRY OF PUBLIC WORKS TENDER DOCUMENT WHICH INCLUDES REQUEST FOR NATIONALITY AND PLACE OF BIRTH OF OFFICERS OF BIDDING FIRMS.

2. CADAT STATES THESE QUESTIONS APPLY ONLY TO ALGERIAN FIRMS SUBMITTING BIDS AND NOT REPEAT NOT TO FOREIGN FIRMS. PURPOSE IS TO DETERMINE IF LOCAL (ALGERIAN) FIRMS ARE, IN FACT, MANAGED BY ALGERIANS. FOREIGN FIRMS NEED NOT ANSWER THESE QUESTIONS. FURTHER, CADAT SAID THEY ALREADY HAD RECOGNIZED THIS PROBLEM AND AS OF JANUARY 1, 1976, TENDER DOCUMENTS HAVE BEEN CHANGED TO CLARIFY WORDING. THUS QUESTIONS IN DOCUMENTS ARE NOT BOYCOTT RELATED AND NOT INTENDED TO DISCRIMINATE AGAINST US CITIZENS ON THE BASIS OF RELIGION, RACE, COLOR, NATURAL ORIGIN OR SEX.

3. WHILE THERE HAS BEEN NO PUBLICATION OF LAWS OR REGULATIONS CONCERNING TRADE OR ECONOMIC RELATIONS WITH ISRAEL, GOA DOES NOT HAVE DIP-
MATIC, ECONOMIC OR TRADE RELATIONS WITH ISRAEL.
THIS BOYCOTT DOES NOT APPLY, HOWEVER, TO THIRD COUNTRY FIRMS HAVING BUSINESS DEALINGS WITH ISRAEL. WE REPEAT
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(REFTEL B) THAT THERE IS NO BOYCOTT OFFICE IN ALGERIA,

THAT GOA HAS ISSUED NO REGULATIONS OR OFFICIAL OR
UNOFFICIAL GUIDELINES CONCERNING BOYCOTT. ALGERIA IS
CURRENTLY DOING BUSINESS WITH SEVERAL FIRMS BEING BOYCOTTED
BY OTHER MIDDLE EASTERN COUNTRIES AND WE KNOW OF NO
CASES TO DATE OF BOYCOTT PROBLEMS WITH US FIRMS HERE.PARKER

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